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> IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA RICHMOND DIVISION

- - - - - - - - - x In re: : Chapter 11 CIRCUIT CITY STORES, INC., : Case No. 08-35653 (KRH) <u>et</u> <u>al</u>., Debtors. : Jointly Administered - - - - - - - - - - X

DEBTORS' MOTION FOR AN ORDER TERMINATING THE UTILITY BLOCKED ACCOUNT AND ESTABLISHING UTILITY BLOCKED ACCOUNT PAYMENT REQUEST DEADLINE UNDER BANKRUPTCY CODE SECTIONS 105(a) AND 366

The debtors and debtors in possession in the above-captioned cases (collectively, the "Debtors")<sup>1</sup> hereby move (the "Motion") for entry of an order, substantially in the form attached hereto, under section 105(a) and 366 of title 11 of the United States Code (as amended, the "Bankruptcy Code"), (I) terminating the reserve created to provide adequate assurance of postpetition payment to the utility companies entitled to "adequate assurance of payment" under Bankruptcy Code section 366 and (II) establishing a Payment Request Deadline and related procedures (as defined herein). In support of the Motion, the Debtors, by and through their proposed undersigned counsel, respectfully represent:

The Debtors and the last four digits of their respective taxpayer identification numbers are as follows: Circuit City Stores, Inc. (3875), Circuit City Stores West Coast, Inc. (0785), InterTAN, Inc. (0875), Ventoux International, Inc. (1838), Circuit City Purchasing Company, LLC (5170), CC Aviation, LLC (0841), CC Distribution Company of Virginia, Inc. (2821), Circuit City Properties, LLC (3353), Kinzer Technology, LLC (2157), Abbott Advertising Agency, Inc. (4659), Patapsco Designs, Inc.(6796), Sky Venture Corp. (0311), PRAHS, Inc.(n/a), XSStuff, LLC (9263), Mayland MN, LLC (6116), Courchevel, LLC (n/a), Orbyx Electronics, LLC (3360), and Circuit City Stores PR, LLC (5512). The address for Circuit City Stores West Coast, Inc. is 9250 Sheridan Boulevard, Westminster, Colorado 80031. For all other Debtors, the address was 9950 Mayland Drive, Richmond, Virginia 23233 and currently is 4951 Lake Brook Drive, Glen Allen, VA 23060.

## JURISDICTION

1. This Court has jurisdiction to consider this Motion under 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334. This is a core proceeding under 28 U.S.C. § 157(b). Venue of these cases and this Motion in this district is proper under 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409. The statutory predicates for the relief requested herein are Bankruptcy Code sections 105(a) and 366.

#### BACKGROUND

#### A. The Bankruptcy Cases

- 2. On November 10, 2008 (the "Petition

  Date"), the Debtors filed voluntary petitions in this

  Court for relief under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code.
- 3. The Debtors continue to manage and operate their businesses as debtors in possession pursuant to Bankruptcy Code sections 1107 and 1108.
- 4. On November 12, 2008, the Office of the United States Trustee for the Eastern District of Virginia appointed a statutory committee of unsecured creditors (the "Creditors' Committee"). To date, no trustee or examiner has been appointed in these chapter 11 cases.

5. On January 16, 2009, the Court authorized the Debtors, among other things, to conduct going out of business sales at the Debtors' remaining 567 stores pursuant to an agency agreement (the "Agency Agreement") between the Debtors and a joint venture, as agent (the "Agent"). On January 17, 2009, the Agent commenced going out of business sales pursuant to the Agency Agreement at the Debtors' remaining stores.

### B. The DIP Facility.

- 6. On November 12, 2008, the Court entered an interim order authorizing the Debtors to enter into a post-petition financing facility (the "DIP Facility"), governed by a credit agreement (the "DIP Credit Agreement") between the Debtors, Bank of America, N.A., as agent (the "DIP Agent" or "Bank of America"), and the Debtors' post-petition secured lenders (the "DIP Lenders") (D.I. 83).
- 7. Subsequently, the Debtors amended the DIP Credit Agreement (the "First Amendment"). Among other things, the First Amendment modified the DIP Credit Agreement to expressly provide for a \$5 million reserve under the Debtors' general borrowing base (the "Utility").

Blocked Account"). Additionally, the First Amendment required the Debtors to obtain an order amending the Original Utilities Order (as defined herein) to clarify how the Utility Blocked Account was to be established and administered.

# C. The Original Utilities Order.

- 8. On the Petition Date, the Debtors filed a motion, among other things, to furnish utilities with adequate assurance of payment and establish procedures to address additional adequate assurance of payment requests.

  (D.I. 8, the "Utility Motion").<sup>2</sup>
- 9. On November 12, 2008, this Court entered an order under Bankruptcy Code Sections 105(a), 363, and 366, and Bankruptcy Rule 6003 (I) Approving Debtors' Adequate Assurance of Payment, (II) Establishing Procedures for Resolving Requests by Utility Companies for Additional Assurance of Payment, (III) Scheduling a Hearing with Respect to Contested Adequate Assurance of Payment Requests, and (IV) Authorizing Debtors to Pay

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the First Day Motion.

Claims of a Third Party Vendor (Docket No. 117) (the "Original Utilities Order").

- 10. Under the terms of the Original Utilities
  Order, the Debtors were given the authority to establish
  the Utility Blocked Account by permitting Bank of America
  to block their available borrowing in an amount equal to
  \$5,000,000 and segregate those funds into a separate
  Utility Blocked Account to be administered in accordance
  with the Original Utilities Order.
- purposes. First, by establishing the Utility Blocked
  Account, the Debtors were deemed to have "furnished"
  adequate assurance of payment to all Utility Companies.
  Like a letter of credit, if the Debtors failed to timely
  pay for post-petition Utility Services, a Utility Company
  to which such payment was due could submit a Utility
  Account Payment Request Form (attached as Exhibit B to the
  Original Utilities Order) (each a "Payment Request") to
  the Debtors and the DIP Agent. Following payment of any
  Payment Request from the Utility Blocked Account, Bank of
  America was to take steps to replenish the Utility Blocked
  Account to ensure that the reserve of \$5,000,000 was

maintained, provided that the Debtors had sufficient availability under the DIP Facility to re-establish such amount.

12. Second, the Utility Order established a procedure whereby those Utility Companies that sought additional adequate assurance could submit a request and, if necessary, have their matter heard before the Bankruptcy Court. To receive such additional assurance, a Utility Company was required to submit an "Additional Adequate Assurance Request" pursuant to and in accordance with the Original Utilities Order. All "Additional Adequate Assurance Requests" were due on or before December 1, 2008. For any Utility Company that did not submit such a request, the Utility Blocked Account was deemed satisfactory to such other Utility Companies.

# D. The Corrected Utilities Order.

13. On December 9, 2008, this Court entered the Corrected Order Under Bankruptcy Code Sections 105(A) and 366 (I) Approving Debtors' Adequate Assurance Of Payment, (II) Establishing Procedures For Resolving Requests by Utility Companies For Additional Assurance Of Payment, and (III) Scheduling a Hearing with Respect to

Contested Adequate Assurance of Payment Requests, and (IV)
Authorizing Debtors to Pay Claims of a Third Party Vendor
(Docket No. 832) (the "Corrected Utilities Order").

- 14. In accordance with the First Amendment to the DIP Credit Agreement, the Corrected Utilities Order clarified how the Utility Blocked Account was to be established and administered. Specifically, under the terms of the Corrected Utilities Order, the Utility Blocked Account was not established as a separate segregated bank account. Rather, funds were reserved under the First Amendment to the DIP Credit Agreement, which funds were to be used solely for the purposes of providing additional adequate assurance of payment to Utility Companies under 11 U.S.C. § 366. In all other respects, the pertinent terms of the Original Utilities Order remained the same.
- Utilities Order and the Corrected Utilities Order, the Debtors reserved their rights to seek authority from the Court to decrease the amount reserved by the Utility Blocked Account. So long as the Utility Blocked Account was reserved in an amount not less than \$5,000,000 (or

such other amount as may be fixed by the Debtors in accordance with the Original Utilities Order and the Corrected Utilities Order), the Debtors were deemed to have furnished all Utility Companies with adequate assurance of payment under section 366(b) of the Bankruptcy Code.

#### E. The Modified Utilities Order.

- 16. On February 12, 2009, the Debtors filed the Motion of the Debtors under Bankruptcy Code Section 366 to Modify Utility Order (the "Motion to Modify") (D.I. 2127). As described in the motion, various Utility Companies submitted Additional Adequate Assurance Requests (the "AAAR Utility Companies"), all of which were resolved by the Debtors with separate agreements ("Adequate Assurance Resolutions").
- 17. From time to time, certain Utility

  Companies were also excluded from the relief granted by

  the Original and the Corrected Utilities Orders

  (collectively, the "Excluded Utility Companies"). The

  Debtors entered into separate agreements with the Excluded

  Utility Companies concerning issues related to Bankruptcy

Code section 366 (also referred to as "Adequate Assurance Resolutions").

- 18. By the Motion to Modify, the Debtors sought entry of an order modifying the Corrected Utilities Order by altering the nature of the Utility Blocked Account such that the amount was limited to \$5 million and was not subject to replenishment. More specifically, in conjunction with the Motion to Modify, the Debtors filed a motion to approve a third amendment (the "Third Amendment") to the DIP Credit Agreement. The Third Amendment provided that the DIP Agent, the DIP Lenders and the Debtors agreed that the Utility Blocked Account was modified such that, upon the entry of an interim order amending the Utility Order, the DIP Agent would fund Utility Blocked Account in the amount of \$5 million and hold such funds in a segregated account. The Third Amendment also provided that the DIP Agent and the DIP Lenders were released of any further obligation with respect to the Utility Blocked Account, including, without limitation, any funding or replenishment thereof.
- 19. On February 24, 2009, the Court granted the relief requested by the Debtors in the Motion to

Modify by entering the Order Modifying Corrected Order
Under Bankruptcy Code Sections 105(a), 363, and 366, and
Bankruptcy Rule 6003 (I) Approving Debtors' Adequate
Assurance of Payment, (II) Establishing Procedures for
Resolving Requests by Utility Companies for Additional
Assurance of Payment, (III) Scheduling a Hearing with
Respect to Contested Adequate Assurance of Payment
Requests, and (IV) Authorizing Debtors to Pay Claims of a
Third Party Vendor (Docket No. 2297; the "Modified
Utilities Order" and collectively with the "Original
Utilities Order" and the "Corrected Utilities Order", the
"Utilities Orders").

20. Additionally, pursuant to the Modified
Utilities Order, the Debtors were authorized, but not
directed, to reduce the Utility Blocked Account by the
amount corresponding to the two week average attributable
to any and all Utility Companies that provided Utility
Services at the Debtors' various locations -- owned or
leased -- when such locations were sold or closed in
connection with these bankruptcy proceedings. The Debtors
(through their utility agent or otherwise) were also

authorized to instruct such Utility Companies to terminate
Utility Services, all without further order of this Court.

# RELIEF REQUESTED

- 21. By this Motion, the Debtors seek the entry of an order terminating the Utility Blocked Account and releasing the remaining funds in the Utility Blocked Account to the Debtors. The Debtors have sold substantially all of their assets and accordingly maintain very few properties -- whether leased or owned -- at which the Debtors use any Utility Services (as defined below).
- order establishing a deadline by which "Eligible Utility Companies" must submit Payment Requests to the Debtors and Bank of America in order to receive payment from the Utility Blocked Account in connection with any outstanding post-petition charges for services rendered to the Debtors (the "Payment Request Deadline"). The Debtors submit that the Payment Request Deadline should be established as

As used herein, Eligible Utility Companies is defined to mean Utility Companies providing post-petition Utility Services to the Debtors other than the AAAR Utility Companies and the Excluded Utility Companies. This definition explicitly excludes the AAAR Utility Companies and the Excluded Utility Companies because those entities are not eligible to seek payment from the Utility Blocked Account.

September 30, 2009 at 5:00 p.m. (prevailing eastern time), over 30 days following a hearing on this motion.

23. The Debtors propose to serve a Notice of Payment Request Deadline on the Utility Companies within five business (5) days after entry of any Order granting the relief requested herein. The proposed Notice of Payment Request Deadline is attached hereto as <a href="Exhibit A">Exhibit A</a>. The Notice of Payment Request Deadline will include a copy of the Amended Utility Account Payment Request Form, which form is attached hereto as Exhibit B.

#### BASIS FOR RELIEF

of their businesses and the management of their properties, the Debtors obtained water, natural gas, oil, electricity, telephone, and similar utility products and services (collectively, the "Utility Services") from the Utility Companies. Prior to the Petition Date, the Utility Companies provided Utility Services to the Debtors at various locations. The services provided by the Utility Companies, at that time, were crucial to the continued operations of the Debtors.

- Utility Services at very few locations because the Debtors have sold substantially all of their assets and are presently winding down their estates. Indeed, the Debtors requested termination of Utility Services at the vast majority of their locations in March 2009. Therefore, the Debtors maintain that adequate assurance of payment or Additional Adequate Assurance to the vast majority of Utility Companies is no longer required under Bankruptcy Code section 366.
- 26. By this Motion, the Debtors seek an order from the court relieving them from the requirements of Bankruptcy Code section 366 with respect to the Utility Companies and allowing the Debtors to terminate the Utility Blocked Account upon the expiration of the Payment Request Deadline.

### APPLICABLE AUTHORITY

- I. THE UTILITY BLOCKED ACCOUNT IS NO LONGER NECESSARY TO PROVIDE UTILITY COMPANIES WITH ADDITIONAL ADEQUATE ASSURANCE OF PAYMENT PURSUANT TO 11 U.S.C. § 366.
- 27. Under Bankruptcy Code section 366(c)(3)(A), "[o]n request of a party in interest and

after notice and a hearing, the court may order modification of the amount of adequate assurance of payment." 11 U.S.C. § 366(c)(3)(A). See, e.g., In re Haven Eldercare, LLC, 2008 WL 139543 (Bankr. D. Conn. 2008) (holding the modified amount of assurance of payment satisfactory under 366(c)(2) and, accordingly, granting the debtors' § 366(c)(3)(A) request). In considering a request, the Court should be guided by the general principle that a debtor is not obligated to guarantee payment. In re Circuit City Stores, Inc., 08-35653 (KRH) (Bankr. E.D. Va. Jan. 14, 2008) (stating that "a debtor need not provide utility companies an absolute quarantee of payment."). Among other things, the Court may consider the Debtors post-petition payment history. See 11 U.S.C. § 366(c)(3)(A) (providing that the court may not consider pre-petition payment history, but making no reference to considering post-petition payment history).

28. The Debtors contend that terminating the Utility Blocked Account at this juncture in the Debtors' cases is appropriate under section 366(c)(3)(A). Specifically, the policy underlying Bankruptcy Code section 366 is to protect debtors from utility service

cutoffs upon the filing of a bankruptcy case, while at the same time providing utility companies with adequate assurance that the debtor will pay for post-petition services. See H.R. Rep. No. 95-595, at 350 (1978), reprinted in 1978 U.S.C.C.A.N. 5963, 6306. As set forth herein, this policy no longer applies in the Debtors' Chapter 11 cases.

debtor must furnish what it considers to be adequate assurance of payment in the form of a deposit or other security for post-petition service within twenty (20) days after the entry of the order for relief. Here, the Debtors provided the Utility Companies with adequate assurance of payment in accordance with the requirements of Bankruptcy Code section 366(b) by establishing the Utility Blocked Account. Moreover, the Debtors instituted Additional Adequate Assurance Procedures to properly balance the interests of the Utility Companies and those of the Debtors and their estates. The Additional Adequate Assurance Procedures satisfied Bankruptcy Code section 366(c). Thus, these procedures satisfied the Utility

Companies and were necessary for a smooth transition by the Debtors into chapter 11.

- 30. Currently, however, the Debtors are in the process of winding down their estates and have terminated the vast majority of their Utility Services. As such, the underlying policy and requirements of Bankruptcy Code section 366 no longer apply to the Debtors, and the Debtors should be permitted to terminate the Utility Blocked Account.
- 31. Accordingly, the Debtors request authority to terminate the Utility Blocked Account so that the Debtors may use the remaining funds for ordinary course expenses and/or ultimate distribution to creditors.

# II. ESTABLISHING A PAYMENT REQUEST DEADLINE IS FAIR AND REASONABLE UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES.

32. Bankruptcy Code section 105 provides in pertinent part that "[t]he court may issue any order, process, or judgment that is necessary or appropriate to carry out the provisions of this title." 11 U.S.C. § 105(a). The Debtors assert that establishing a Payment Request Deadline will allow the Debtors to quickly and efficiently identify liabilities of their respective

bankruptcy estates and fully and finally terminate their relationships with the Utility Companies. Prolonging the identification and evaluation of claims against the Debtors' estates will result in delay that potentially harms creditors and other parties in interest.

- as a payment Request Deadline will not prejudice the Utility Companies. As described herein, the Payment Request Deadline will occur on September 30, 2009 at 5:00 p.m. (prevailing eastern time). Because the Debtors are winding down their businesses, and have ceased operations, establishing a September 30, 2009 Payment Request Deadline is more than sufficient time for any Utility Company to file a Payment Request with Bank of America. In fact, the Debtors requested the termination of Utility Services at most of their properties in March 2009. Thus, the Debtors should not have incurred additional charges since that time, and any outstanding post-petition charges owed to the Utility Companies should be readily discernable.
- 34. Furthermore, in order to simplify the payment request process, the Debtors intend to attach the Amended Utility Account Payment Request Form, attached

hereto as Exhibit B, to the Notice of Payment Request

Deadline. In order to receive payment from the Utility

Blocked Account, Eligible Utility Companies with

outstanding post-petition balances need merely fill out

the form according to the instructions provided therein,

and electronically submit it to the persons and entities

listed on the form.

35. Accordingly, it is in the best interests of the Debtors and their estates, and it is fair and reasonable under the circumstances, for the Court to establish a Payment Request Deadline and approve the related procedures.

#### NOTICE

36. Notice of this Motion has been provided to those parties entitled to notice under this Court's Order Pursuant to Bankruptcy Code Sections 102 and 105,

Bankruptcy Rules 2002 and 9007, and Local Bankruptcy Rules 2002-1 and 9013-1 Establishing Certain Notice, Case

Management, and Administrative Procedures (Docket No. 130), as well as all of the Debtors' Utility Companies.

The Debtors submit that, under the circumstances, no other or further notice need be given.

# WAIVER OF MEMORANDUM OF LAW

37. Pursuant to Local Bankruptcy Rule 90131(G), and because there are no novel issues of law
presented in the Motion and all applicable authority is
set forth in the Motion, the Debtors request that the
requirement that all motions be accompanied by a separate
memorandum of law be waived.

# NO PRIOR REQUEST

38. No previous request for the relief sought herein has been made to this Court or any other court.

# CONCLUSION

WHEREFORE, the Debtors respectfully request that the Court enter an order, substantially in the form annexed hereto, granting the relief requested in the Motion and such other and further relief as may be just and proper.

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- - - - - - - - - x : Chapter 11 In re: CIRCUIT CITY STORES, INC., : Case No. 08-35653 (KRH) et al., Debtors. : Jointly Administered

ORDER TERMINATING THE UTILITY BLOCKED ACCOUNT AND ESTABLISHING UTILITY BLOCKED ACCOUNT PAYMENT REQUEST DEADLINE UNDER BANKRUPTCY CODE SECTIONS 105(a) AND 366 Upon the motion (the "Motion") of the Debtors for an order under section 105(a) and 366 of title 11 of the United States Code (as amended, the "Bankruptcy Code"), (I) terminating the reserve created to provide adequate assurance of post-petition payment to the utility companies entitled to "adequate assurance of payment" under Bankruptcy Code section 366 and (II) establishing a Payment Request Deadline and approving related procedures; and due and sufficient notice of the Motion having been given under the particular circumstances; and it appearing that the requested in the Motion is in the best interests of the Debtors, their estates, creditors, and other parties in interest;

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Each capitalized term not otherwise defined herein shall have the meaning ascribed to it in the Motion.

The Debtors and the last four digits of their respective taxpayer identification numbers are as follows: Circuit City Stores, Inc. (3875), Circuit City Stores West Coast, Inc. (0785), InterTAN, Inc. (0875), Ventoux International, Inc. (1838), Circuit City Purchasing Company, LLC (5170), CC Aviation, LLC (0841), CC Distribution Company of Virginia, Inc. (2821), Circuit City Properties, LLC (3353), Kinzer Technology, LLC (2157), Abbott Advertising Agency, Inc. (4659), Patapsco Designs, Inc. (6796), Sky Venture Corp. (0311), PRAHS, Inc.(n/a), XSStuff, LLC (9263), Mayland MN, LLC (6116), Courchevel, LLC (n/a), Orbyx Electronics, LLC (3360), and Circuit City Stores PR, LLC (5512). The address for Circuit City Stores West Coast, Inc. is 9250 Sheridan Boulevard, Westminster, Colorado 80031. For all other Debtors, the address was 9950 Mayland Drive, Richmond, Virginia 23233 and currently is 4951 Lake Brook Drive, Glen Allen, VA 23060.

and after due deliberation thereon; and sufficient cause appearing therefor, it is hereby

### ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that:

- 1. The Motion is GRANTED.
- 2. The Debtors are authorized to terminate the Utility Blocked Account held by Bank of America, N.A., as agent (the "DIP Agent" or "Bank of America").
- 3. The Debtors shall cease to be subject to Additional Adequate Assurance Protection Procedures outlined in the Utilities Orders.
- 4. The Payment Request Deadline shall be 5:00 p.m. (prevailing eastern time) on September 30, 2009.
- 5. The Notice of Payment Request Deadline, in substantially the form attached hereto as <a href="Exhibit A">Exhibit A</a>, is hereby approved in all respects and shall be served the on each Utility Company within five (5) business days after entry of this Order.
- 6. The Amended Utility Account Payment
  Request Form, in substantially the form attached hereto
  as Exhibit B, is hereby approved in all respects and

shall be attached to the Notice of Payment Request Deadline.

- 7. Pursuant to the Payment Request Deadline, each Eligible Utility Company must submit a completed Amended Utility Account Payment Request Form (each a "Payment Request") so as to be received by the Debtors and Counsel for Bank of America by 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern time) on September 30, 2009.
- 8. In accordance with the terms of their separate Adequate Assurance Resolutions, the AAAR Utility Companies and the Excluded Utility Companies are prohibited from obtaining payment from the Utility Blocked Account and the Debtors and Bank of America are authorized to reject any Payment Requests from such parties without further order of this Court.
- 9. Any Utility Company that is eligible to submit (but fails to submit) a Payment Request, i.e., the Eligible Utility Companies, on account of outstanding obligations owed on account of post-petition Utility Services provided to the Debtors in accordance with the procedures set forth herein on or before the applicable Payment Request Deadline shall be forever

barred, estopped, and enjoined from obtaining payment from the Utility Blocked Account.

- 10. Any payments made from the Utility
  Blocked Account shall be made by Bank of America in the
  order that the Payment Requests were actually received
  by Bank of America.
- 11. Bank of America shall have no obligation to investigate the bona fides of any request to decrease the Utility Blocked Account. The Debtors assume all risks with respect to the acts and omissions of, or misuse of the Utility Blocked Account by the respective Utility Companies that are the beneficiaries of such Utility Blocked Account. In furtherance and not in limitation of the foregoing, Bank of America shall not be responsible for: (i) the misapplication by any Utility Company of the proceeds of any payment from funds reserved pursuant to such Utility Blocked Account; or (ii) any consequences arising from Bank of America's actions, other than actions resulting from Bank of America's gross negligence or willful misconduct. The Debtors' only recourse in the event of an improper

Payment Request is against the party making such Payment Request and not against Bank of America.

- 12. Any payments to the Utility Companies shall be without prejudice to any and all rights, claims and/or defenses of the Debtors with respect to such Payment Request, including but not limited to the Debtors' right to contest such Payment Request in this Court, or any court with jurisdiction.
- 13. Bank of America shall return any and all funds remaining in the Utility Blocked Account to the Debtors by October 31, 2009.
- 14. The requirement under Local Rule 90131(G) of the Local Rules for the United States Bankruptcy
  Court for the Eastern District of Virginia to file a
  memorandum of law in connection with the Motion is
  hereby waived.

15. This Court will retain jurisdiction with respect to any dispute concerning the relief granted hereunder.

Dated: Richmond, Virginia
August \_\_\_, 2009

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# CERTIFICATION OF ENDORSEMENT UNDER LOCAL RULE 9022-1(C)

Pursuant to Local Bankruptcy Rule 9022-1(C), I hereby certify that the foregoing proposed order has been endorsed by or served upon all necessary parties.

/s/ Douglas M. Foley

EXHIBIT A (Notice of Payment Request Deadline)

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et al.,

Jointly Administered

Debtors.

Payment Request Deadline -September 30, 2009 at 5:00 p.m.

prevailing Eastern time

NOTICE TO ALL UTILITY COMPANIES OF PAYMENT REQUEST DEADLINE WITH RESPECT TO UTILITY BLOCKED ACCOUNT

# PLEASE TAKE NOTICE OF THE FOLLOWING:

THE FACT THAT YOU RECEIVED THIS NOTICE DOES NOT MEAN THAT YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO SUBMIT A PAYMENT REQUEST OR MUST SEND A PAYMENT REQUEST - PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING CAREFULLY

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that, on [month day], 2009, the Debtors filed the Debtors' Motion for an Order Terminating the Utility Blocked Account and Establishing Utility Blocked Account Payment Request Deadline under Bankruptcy Code Sections 105(a) and 366 (D.I. [ ]; the "Motion").

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Virginia (the "Bankruptcy Court") entered the Order Terminating the Utility Blocked Account and Establishing Utility Blocked Account Payment Request Deadline (D.I. [\_\_], the "Order"). A copy of the Motion and the Order are available at www.kccllc.net/circuitcity.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Order authorized the debtors and debtors in possession (the "Debtors") $^2$  to terminate the Utility Blocked Account containing segregated funds held by Bank of America, N.A., as agent ("Bank of America").

# TIME AND PLACE FOR FILING PAYMENT REQUESTS

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Order requires that each Eligible Utility Company (i) with unpaid post-petition payment obligations owed by the Debtors and (ii) that desires payment from the Utility Blocked Account must submit a completed Amended Utility Account Payment Request Form (each a "Payment Request"), attached hereto as <a href="Exhibit 1">Exhibit 1</a>, so that such Payment Request is actually received by the following parties by 5:00 p.m., <a href="Eastern Time">Eastern Time</a>, on September 30, 2009 -- the Payment Request Deadline:

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the Order.

The Debtors and the last four digits of their respective taxpayer identification numbers are as follows: Circuit City Stores, Inc. (3875), Circuit City Stores West Coast, Inc. (0785), InterTAN, Inc. (0875), Ventoux International, Inc. (1838), Circuit City Purchasing Company, LLC (5170), CC Aviation, LLC (0841), CC Distribution Company of Virginia, Inc. (2821), Circuit City Properties, LLC (3353), Kinzer Technology, LLC (2157), Abbott Advertising Agency, Inc. (4659), Patapsco Designs, Inc. (6796), Sky Venture Corp. (0311), PRAHS, Inc.(n/a), XSStuff, LLC (9263), Mayland MN, LLC (6116), Courchevel, LLC (n/a), Orbyx Electronics, LLC (3360), and Circuit City Stores PR, LLC (5512). The address for Circuit City Stores West Coast, Inc. is 9250 Sheridan Boulevard, Westminster, Colorado 80031. For all other Debtors, the address was 9950 Mayland Drive, Richmond, Virginia 23233 and currently is 4951 Lake Brook Drive, Glen Allen, VA 23060.

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PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE THAT EACH PAYMENT REQUEST MUST BE SUBMITTED BY THE METHOD DESCRIBED IN THE FOREGOING SENTENCE, AND MUST ACTUALLY BE RECEIVED BY THE DEBTORS AND BANK OF AMERICA BY SEPTEMBER 30, 2009 AT 5:00 P.M., EASTERN TIME.

# DO NOT FILE YOUR PAYMENT REQUEST WITH THE BANKRUPTCY COURT.

# CONSEQUENCES OF FAILURE TO FILE A TIMELY PAYMENT REQUEST

Any Utility Company that is eligible to submit (but fails to submit) a Payment Request, i.e., the Eligible Utility Companies, on account of outstanding obligations owed by the Debtors on account of post-petition Utility Services provided to the Debtors in accordance with the procedures set forth herein on or before the Payment Request Deadline shall be forever barred, estopped, and enjoined from obtaining payment from the Utility Blocked Account.

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# EXHIBIT 1

(Payment Request Form)

<u>EXHIBIT B</u>
(Amended Payment Request Form)

# AMENDED UTILITIES BLOCKED ACCOUNT PAYMENT REQUEST

# ALL FORMS MUST BE RECEIVED BY BANK OF AMERICA AND THE DEBTORS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CONTACT INFORMATION ON PAGES 1-2 BY SEPTEMBER 30, 2009 AT 5:00 P.M. (PREVAILING EASTERN TIME)

, 2009
Katie Bradshaw Circuit City Stores, Inc. 4951 Lake Brook Drive Glen Allen, VA 23060 Fax: (804) 290-4305
Re: Circuit City Stores, Inc. ("Circuit City") Utility Blocked Account (the "Utility Blocked Account")
The undersigned (the "Beneficiary") hereby certifies to Circuit City that:
(a) The Beneficiary certifies that it is neither an Excluded Utility Company nor a Utility Company that submitted an Additional Adequate Assurance Request to the Debtors that is the subject of a separate Adequate Assurance Resolution, as those terms are defined in the Debtors' Motion for an Order Terminating the Utility Blocked Account and Establishing Utility Blocked Account Payment Request Deadline Under Bankruptcy Code Sections 105(a) and 366.
(a) The Beneficiary is making a request for payment in lawful currency of the United States of America from the Utility Blocked Account in the amount of \$
(b) The Beneficiary certifies that the Debtors defaulted in the payment of postpetition Utilities Services and amounts on account of such Utility Services are due, outstanding, and unpaid.
(c) The Beneficiary hereby certifies that it is owed \$ for postpetition utility services provided to Circuit City or one of its debtor affiliates or subsidiaries in connection with the following account numbers:

The beneficiary hereby certifies that the amount requested is not and does not

relate to an additional adequate assurance request or other form of security.

(d)

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(e) The Beneficiary is entitled to payment of funds reserved through the Utility Blocked Account pursuant to the Order under Bankruptcy Code Sections 105(a),363, and 366, and Bankruptcy Rule 6003 (I) Approving Debtors' Adequate Assurance of Payment, (II) Establishing Procedures for Resolving Requests by Utility Companies for Additional Assurance of Payment, (III) Scheduling a Hearing with Respect to Contested Adequate Assurance of Payment Requests, and (IV) Authorizing Debtors to Pay Claims of a Certain Third Party Vendor (as modified, supplemented and amended, the "Order"), entered by the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Virginia in the bankruptcy cases of In re Circuit City Stores, Inc., et. al., Case No. 08-35653 (KRH).

Please wire transfer the proceeds of the payment to the following account of the Beneficiary at the financial institution indicated below:

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	WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has duly uest as of the day of	
[UT	ILITY]	
By:		
	Print Name & Title	
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